

Torre, Esther Mata, Arthur Milian, George Martinez, Ray Nieves, and of course Mr. Graciano Gomez as Chairperson and Publisher. The Board established that the major goals of the Inland Empire Hispanic News would be the advocacy of education, economic development, volunteerism, and political activity that were of critical interest to the greater Hispanic community.

The Inland Empire Hispanic News has since been one of the leading newspapers to highlight important public and social policies in regards to health, education, economic development, and business news. It captures the heart of the greater Inland Empire community by sharing the inspiring stories of outstanding role models of leaders in the community, business, education, and non-profit sectors, and individuals and families who are making positive contributions to our society. The paper has also become a primary source for many interested in current issues, news events, advocacy opportunities and available resources.

With the hard work and commitment of Mr. Gomez and his wife of 30 years, Mrs. Trini Gomez, the Inland Empire Hispanic News provided input from elected officials, governmental agencies, community based organizations, individuals, business and other sources relative to issues and interests of the greater Hispanic community. Since the publication's inception, Mrs. Trini Gomez has played a vital role in the development and on going operation of the newspaper. Together they have made this dream of a creating a vital resource for the Hispanic population within the Inland Empire a reality.

However, the dream of this newspaper, its mission and great accomplishments would not have been possible without Mr. Graciano Gomez. Mr. Gomez was raised in the Inland Empire, graduating from Redlands High School in 1943. Immediately following graduation he was called into the United States Air Force, serving in the India/Burma Theater of War. After being honorably discharged in 1946 he was employed at Norton Air Force Base. In 1952, he resigned in order to accept a position in the County of San Bernardino. He served 34 years with the County of San Bernardino and associated agencies and was recognized for his civil service career by state and county officials.

Since his military discharge in 1946, Mr. Gomez has established himself as a professional pillar of the Inland community, while also continuing a passion and commitment for community service.

After experiencing many injustices, Mr. Gomez is driven to advocate for the Hispanic community within the Inland Empire. He is dedicated to promoting quality education for all youth, and encouraging civic volunteerism, as well as political and socio-economic involvement. His continual service to the Inland Empire has been recognized with over 73 awards varying from the diocese, congressional, state, city, and other civic and nonprofit organizations.

One of his greatest accomplishments however, is the establishment of the Inland Empire Hispanic News in 1987. In honor and celebration of the 22 years of publication of the Inland Empire Hispanic News, we would like to congratulate Mr. Graciano Gomez for his life long service and commitment to the greater Hispanic community. The Inland Empire Hispanic News has demonstrated an ability to outreach

and bring to light the important issues affecting the Hispanic community and by doing so has been an inspirational influence of positive change within the Inland Empire.

TRIBUTE TO GUY EMANUELE

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Mr. STARK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay a special tribute to Guy Emanuele, former Superintendent of the New Haven Unified School District in Union City, California. On April 24, 2009, the New Haven Schools Foundation will host its 2nd Annual Scholarship luncheon. Friends, colleagues and admirers of Mr. Emanuele will gather at the luncheon to recognize his many years of service to the New Haven Community.

Mr. Emanuele has spent 49 years as a teacher, counselor, administrator and school district trustee. He began his teaching career in 1956 at Barnard Junior High School, now Barnard-White Middle School in Union City. After working as counselor and administrator for several years, he was hired as the school district's superintendent in 1976.

When he took the post, the New Haven school district had existed for only 11 years, and there had already been three superintendents. Guy Emanuele, according to Union City Mayor Mark Green, "found New Haven a district of bricks and he left it a district of marble . . . He was the most important person in the school district's history."

Under Mr. Emanuele's 22-year tenure as superintendent, New Haven created an alternative high school, passed several bond measures and focused on educating students through athletics, arts and extracurricular activities, in addition to academics. As a superintendent and school board member, he maintained a vision of holistic education and advocated for top-notch extracurricular activities to keep students engaged throughout the day and after school. He believes it is cost effective to establish athletics and arts programs on campuses because they keep students engaged and out of trouble.

Guy Emanuele also established the New Haven Schools Foundation in 1981 to provide an alternative source of funds for co-curricular and extra-curricular programs. The Foundation also provided much of the initial funding for cutting-edge technology for the New Haven School District that made New Haven a model for other California school districts.

He retired as superintendent of the New Haven Unified School District in 1998. After leaving New Haven, Guy Emanuele, a long-time Fremont, California resident, was elected to the Fremont Unified School Board, where he served until 2006.

Guy Emanuele has earned the respect of educators as well as the community for his exemplary contributions to students. I join in expressing appreciation to him for his commitment and dedication.

RECOGNIZING HOLOCAUST
REMEMBRANCE DAY

HON. CONNIE MACK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Mr. MACK. Madam Speaker, I rise today, April 21, 2009, to recognize the Holocaust Remembrance Day and to remember and honor the 6 million Jews, among them one-and-a-half million children, who perished during one of mankind's worst atrocities.

As we remember those who were persecuted and who lost their lives, it is also important to honor the countless numbers of people, who at great risk to both themselves and their families, risked everything to come to the aid of the Jews of Europe.

Today we must also pay tribute to the American soldiers, who as a result of their heroic service, liberated a continent besieged by terror and helped to extinguish the flames of the Holocaust.

The wounds of the Holocaust still remain and we must be vigilant in this day and age to confront those who deny the Holocaust or continue to foment agendas of hate and anti-Semitism.

I also want to recognize The Holocaust Museum of Southwest Florida which is located in my district. The museum, and others like it around the country, exists so that this generation of Americans can learn the importance of tolerance and vigilance. The museum has begun a program where the community's students can meet and reflect with the estimated 100 Holocaust Survivors who call Southwest Florida home. In addition, thousands of students from Southwest Florida visit the museum each year in order to learn and remember the Holocaust and its lessons.

Madam Speaker, I urge all of our colleagues to recognize the importance of the Holocaust Remembrance Day. In doing so, we will continue to fulfill our vow of, "never again."

RECOGNIZING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF FAUQUIER COUNTY, VIRGINIA

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the commemoration of the 250th Anniversary of Fauquier County, Virginia, on May 1, 2009. I am honored to represent a portion of this county as part of the 10th District of Virginia.

Fauquier County has a rich and venerable history. The land known as Fauquier County dates back to the early days of our nation, originally described in 1608 as part of the Northern Neck proprietary. It was formed from part of Prince William County in 1759, and named for the Lieutenant Governor Francis Fauquier, who served the Commonwealth from 1758 to 1768. Militiamen fought in the French and Indian Wars in defense of the British Colony, and later participated in the creation of a new nation during the American Revolution.

Supreme Court Chief Justice John Marshall, the father of judicial review and America's

most esteemed judge, was a native son of Fauquier County. It was the scene of many important military engagements during the Civil War and served as the base of operations for Colonel John S. Mosby. The county contributed hundreds of soldiers, including five generals, to the Confederate Army during that conflict. Sons and daughters of Fauquier have served with distinction in every armed conflict of the 20th century.

Fauquier County is renowned for its pastoral scenery, agriculture and equine industries, and its open space. Visitors from other states and countries around the world come to enjoy its rich history, warm hospitality and recreational offerings. Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing and celebrating the rich history of Fauquier County, Virginia, and in congratulating its citizens upon its 250th anniversary.

HONORING MASTER SERGEANT
ROBERT MORRELL FOR HIS
MANY YEARS OF SERVICE IN
THE MARINE CORPS AND TO THE
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Mr. ANDREWS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Master Sergeant Robert Morrell of Marine Wing Support Squadron 472 of Willow Grove, PA for his service to the Marine Corps and to the U.S. Postal Service. At fifty-eight years old, he is preparing to deploy to Iraq.

Master Sergeant Morrell joined the Marine Corps in 1969 and spent four years on active duty. He earned the Vietnam Service Medal for his service in the South China Sea. He was also deployed in the Mediterranean. Master Sergeant Morrell became a letter carrier for the United States Postal Service in 1979. He now serves as the financial secretary of The National Association of Letter Carriers Branch 540 Camden NJ Merged. He retired from the postal service on August 31, 2007.

Madam Speaker, Master Sergeant Morrell rejoined the Marine Corps Reserves in 1990. During his two Marine Corps careers he has earned a Selected Marine Corps Reserve medal, a Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Marine Corps Good Conduct medal, and the National Defense Service medal. In 2007, he was promoted to Master Sergeant in the Marine Corps. When his retirement date from the Marine Corps loomed close, Master Sergeant Morrell chose instead to continue with his unit. He is now getting ready to serve his country in Iraq, just as he served in Vietnam. He is an excellent example for all Americans. I congratulate Mr. Morrell on his tremendous dedication to this country and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER ACT
OF 2009

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, this past weekend President Obama ap-

pointed Aneesh Chopra, Virginia's Secretary of Technology, to serve as our nation's Chief Technology Officer.

It was an excellent choice to fill a very important position.

On February 25, the gentleman from Virginia, Mr. MORAN, and I wrote a letter to President Obama urging him to appoint Mr. Chopra because we believed his public and private sector experience made him eminently qualified for the post.

As we make unprecedented investments in innovative technology through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Mr. Chopra's leadership will help us save taxpayer dollars, make government more efficient, ensure accountability, and reinvigorate our economy.

I recently introduced a bill to make it a permanent position by statute. I urge my colleagues to join me in cosponsoring H.R. 1910 to ensure that the Presidentially-appointed Chief Technology Officer will be part of future administrations.

TRIBUTE TO REVEREND DR.
GEORGE EDWARD McRAE

HON. KENDRICK B. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to recognize and extend my congratulations to my pastor, Reverend Dr. George Edward McRae on his 50th anniversary in the ministry and 20 years at Mount Tabor Missionary Baptist Church.

Located in the heart of Miami, Florida's Liberty City at 1701 Northwest 66th Street, this citadel of faith has been and continues to be a beacon of comfort and hope in our community while dedicating itself to providing spirituality, service and guidance.

A native son of Florida, Rev. Dr. McRae graduated from Central Academy High School in Palatka; received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach; Master of Divinity from the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta; and Doctor of Ministry Degree from Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta where his doctoral dissertation was entitled, *The Triangle of Death in the African-American Community: Drugs, Prison, and HIV/AIDS*.

Under the leadership of our beloved, Rev. Dr. McRae, Mt. Tabor has taken an active and progressive role in directly addressing the temporal, as well as spiritual needs of our neighbors. I want to commend him for his tireless apostolate in ministering to those who were imprisoned, to the hungry and to all those seeking the love and solace of a Church that seeks to affirm and confirm their dignity as God's children.

Rev. Dr. McRae's humanitarian spirit is evidenced by his tireless efforts in establishing an HIV/AIDS ministry at Mt. Tabor to comfort and solace those suffering from HIV/AIDS. Moreover, Narcotics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous and Prison, Feeding, Shoebox, Job, Sick and Shut-In ministries are all under his guidance and leadership.

My pastor's anniversary in the ministry and at Mt. Tabor takes on a meaning much greater than the passage of time, for Rev. Dr. McRae and the Church have met the spiritual needs

of thousands of people who came before us, and through the grace of God will continue to do so for another century to come. It is a magnificent legacy we will celebrate.

Madam Speaker and my colleagues, I ask that you join me in honoring Reverend Dr. George Edward McRae, a humble servant of God, a true beacon of hope and a guiding light in the 17th Congressional District of Florida.

TRIBUTE TO LULU MAE TURNER
HOOVER

HON. ED WHITFIELD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Mr. WHITFIELD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize one of Kentucky's most esteemed residents and community servants, Lulu Mae Turner Hoover. Born on January 28, 1938 in Wayne County, she was the third of 12 children born to Clyde and Wilmoth Penticuff Turner. She married Welby Hoover on April 8, 1956 and the couple had three children.

Throughout her life Mae contributed greatly to not only her community, but the entire Commonwealth of Kentucky. She started the annual Food for the Needy Drive in Russell County which now feeds nearly 300 families every year at Christmas time. Together with her husband Welby, they started the Lakefest Celebration on the square in Jamestown which is held every 4th of July. From 1987 to 1988, she served as State Representative for Russell, Clinton, Wayne and Cumberland counties, a post also held by her husband and son. Mae was President of the Kentucky Federation of Republican Women; a member of the Board of Directors of the Russell County Chamber of Commerce and the Lake Cumberland Area Development District; a member of the Russell County Jaycee Hall of Fame and Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame; Russell County Business and Professional Women's Club "Woman of the Year;" received the Russell County Tourism Commission "Distinguished Service Award;" and served as a Delegate to the 1992 Republican National Convention in New Orleans.

Mae passed away on June 6, 2008. For all her accomplishments, Mae treasured her family above all else. Her life serves as a shining example to us all of the importance of giving back to your community and living life to the fullest.

IN HONOR OF MARVIN BUCHHOLZ
OF HAM LAKE, MINNESOTA

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Marvin Buchholz of Ham Lake, Minnesota for his 40 years of dedicated service to the Ham Lake Fire Department. A resident of Ham Lake his entire life, Marvin is the last remaining charter member of the department.

Since its inception in 1969, the Ham Lake Fire Department has seen many firefighters